Hello,

So here I am caught in the middle of a very sensitive subject. As a gun owner I would not like to see some of the changes that people are suggesting such as a tax or yearly fee's or insurance or most terribly a repeal of the second amendment. I have also read the bill recently submitted from Sen. Feinstein.

It really is not that bad. I agree with the grandfathering and the background checks and proper sale of firearms through a registered dealer. I would like to suggest that all owners be licensed and have a mandatory training class before getting licensed. Something similar to the concealed carry process that the State already has. I disagree with the magazine capacity of 7 rounds. Ten would be more agreeable. As far as banning the future sale or manufacture of the assault weapon type I think that limiting the magazine capacity does a good job to lessen the ability of any firearm to cause a lot of damage in a short period of time.

As for all the cosmetic accessories that are banned most are just that cosmetic and could be taken off the list as it will have no impact on the lethality of the gun such as a forward or primary pistol grip or barrel shroud. I would agree with the collapsible stock somewhat because it could make the gun slightly more concealable but in reality it shortens the gun by perhaps 4 to six inches at most and at 10 pounds and still at around 30 inches it is really not all that concealable.

No one want's to see more episodes like Sandy Hook, nor do many want to see our gun rights be taken away because of the acts of the few. There are full blown fanatic freaks on either side of this story. I am an NRA member but it does not mean that I am with the extreme element nor does my civil or moral compass swing to the far side. Neither side must have a full victory. At best their should be a negotiation and a mitigation of the troubles. I hope that with time you will be able to come to an amenable conclusion.

Thank you for your time.

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